## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims**

- 1. Claim 1 (currently amended): An electrical circuit breaker in combination with a vehicle battery comprising:
  - (a) A vehicle battery, the vehicle battery including a front surface, a rear surface, a top surface, and two end surfaces, a first end surface and a second end surface, the vehicle battery including a pair of terminals, the terminals comprising one positive terminal and one negative terminal, the terminals being attached to the top surface of the vehicle battery, the positive terminal being closer to the first end surface than the negative terminal,
  - (b) a metal mounting plate having two sides, a rear side and a front side, the metal mounting plate being approximately ½ to 1 inch in width and two inches in length, the rear side of the metal mounting plate attached to the vehicle battery,
  - (c) a spring-loaded circuit breaker attached to the front side of the metal mounting plate, the circuit breaker having at least two electrical contacts, a first electrical contact and a second electrical contact,
  - (d) a first electrical connection having two ends, a first end and a second end, the first end of the first electrical connection being connected to the positive terminal, the second end of the first electrical connection being

- connected to the first contact on the circuit breaker,
- (e) a second electrical connection having two ends, a first end and a second end, the first end of the second electrical connection being connected to a starter circuit, the second end of the second electrical connection being connected to the second contact on the circuit breaker,
- (f) wherein the contacts on the circuit breaker would be automatically opened due to a greater level of power through the circuit breaker than would be permitted under currently acceptable automotive battery ratings.
- 2. Claim 2 (previously presented): An electrical circuit breaker in combination with a vehicle battery according to claim 1 wherein the rear side of the metal mounting plate would be attached to the front surface of the vehicle battery.
- 3. Claim 3 (previously presented): An electrical circuit breaker in combination with a vehicle battery according to claim 1 wherein the rear side of the metal mounting plate would be attached to the first end surface of the vehicle battery.
- 4. Claim 4 (previously presented): An electrical circuit breaker in combination with a vehicle battery according to claim 1 wherein the rear side of the metal mounting plate would be attached to the top surface of the vehicle battery halfway between the positive terminal and the negative terminal.
- 5. Claim 5 (previously presented): An electrical circuit breaker in combination with

a vehicle battery according to claim 1 wherein the rear side of the metal mounting plate would be attached to the top surface of the vehicle battery closer to the positive terminal than the negative terminal.